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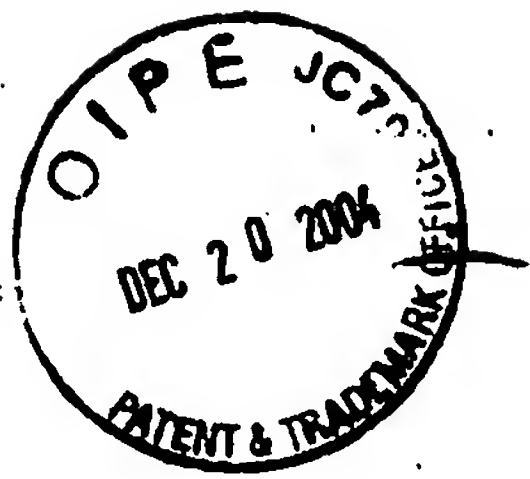
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LETTER

Applicant hereby brings to the Examiner's attention the following co-pending applications having potentially related subject matter:

By such disclosure, Applicant does not waive and has no intent to waive any statutory right to maintain the secrecy of the above-referenced applications.

(121321 / GEM-0017) Application U.S.S.N. 10/063,064, "Method, System and Computer Product for Cardiac Interventional Procedure Planning", filed March 15, 2002 by Darin R. Okerlund et al.

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